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means for simulating user interface associated with an automation component based, at least in part, upon information stored in a map information store and information stored in a command information store, the means for simulating receiving the request from the means for receiving;

means for sharing a common program flow among a plurality of users based, at least in part, upon replacing a global variable in the command information store with corresponding data from a global information store;

means for modifying the user interface automation while maintaining compiled executables; and

means for separately storing map information data, command information data or the compiled executables.

30-32. (Canceled)

33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein data and commands associated with program flow are stored in a text file.

REMARKS

The subject claims relate to generally to creation of user interface automation (e.g., Wizard(s)), for example, by programmer(s) and/or tester(s). The system is based on an architecture which separates data, command(s) and the executable(s), thus facilitating a modular system which can be modified without recompilation of the executable(s).

Schaefer relates to a contrary process wherein a GUI map is generated for an existing GUI and any changes to the GUI need to be reflected in the GUI map (See Schaefer paragraph [0057] wherein GUI maps are generated for different windows and paragraph [0093] that teaches modifying the GUI maps upon changes to the GUI). Additionally, Schaefer does not teach or suggest a map information store, and a command information store as recited in claim 1. On page 9 of the OA dated Dec. 29, 2008 it is erroneously contended that Schaefer teaches the claimed command information store. At the cited portion Schaefer teaches a Log file used for storing results of the execution of a software program for a test case in a manner consistent with the present invention rather than *a command information store that comprises command information regarding one or more pages and one or more actions to execute for a given page associated with the automation component*.

Dewhurst fails to make up for the aforementioned deficiency of Schaefer with respect to independent claims 1, 22 as it fails to teach or suggest storing the map

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information, command information and executables separately. Rather, it teaches a template file containing all the configuration information together with the instructions for displaying user interface on the client computer. (See Dewhurst col. 11 lines 49-58).